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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :  
Akihito YOSHIE et al. : Attn: BOX PCT  
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POWER- ASSISTED BICYCLE  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the above-identified application, kindly amend  
the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claims 6-9, 24, 27, 31, 41, 45 and 53 as follows:

6.(Amended) The power-assisted bicycle as claimed in claim 4, wherein said  
detection system detects stress deformation of said elastic member as said physical  
amount.

7.(Amended) The power-assisted bicycle as claimed in claim 1, wherein said  
detection system detects the position of at least one of parts structuring said one-way  
clutch system relative to the body frame as said physical amount.